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CONDUCTANCE AND

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

M/S Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three (3) month extension of time extending the period for reply to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2004 to August 13, 2004. The Director of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee of \$950.00 to Deposit Account No. 18-1579. The Director is further authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1579.

Respectfully submitted,

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